City Solicitor's Office, London,
May 10th, 1920.

EIGHTEENTH MEETING.

THE SPECIAL CITY GAS COMMITTEE OF NO. I COMMITTEE meets in the City Solicitor's Office, London, on Monday, May 10th, 1920, at 10.30 a.m.

PRESENT : Alderman Dr. Wilson and Bridge and the City Clerk.

48 CITY GAS MATTERS (see par. 47)

Mr. Meredith referred the Committee to the Statute of 1906 and pointed out that the matter rested between the city and the consumers.

The City Gas Company claimed that they had an indeterminate franchise, but this was not accepted by the city. It was not an exclusive franchise.

The City Gas Company should have made application to the Legislature for amendment of their own Act. The City should ascertain the facts as to the stock of the company and whether they were considering the question of selling.

Upon motion, the Committee adjourned.

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Chairman.

Council Chamber, London,
May 20th, 1920.

NINETEENTH MEETING.

THE SPECIAL STREET RAILWAY COMMITTEE OF COMMITTEE NO. I meets in the Council Chamber, City Hall, on Thursday, May 20th, 1920, at 4 p.m.

PRESENT: Alderman Dr. Wilson, Bridge, Wheatcroft, and His Worship Mayor Little and Messrs. Colbert, Ashton, et al.

Alderman Bridge nominates Alderman Dr. Wilson as Chairman.

Alderman Dr. Wilson is elected and assumes the chair.

49 STREET RAILWAY MATTERS.

The Chairman states the object of the meeting.

The members of the Council and the employees informally discuss the report of the Ontario Railway and Municipal Board.

It is pointed out that the $36,000 for bonded indebtedness is required to meet the conditions of mortgage. The city had planned ten miles of street railway paving, but finding that this would have required an expenditure of $110,000 per annum, the Mayor had instructed the Engineer to plan for one mile per year. The ten miles of paving were planned to be done in three years. It was intended to make the agreement for the term of one year and to make provision:

(1) That the $36,000 bonded indebtedness should accrue to the benefit of the city.

(2) That the amount necessary for paving, $55,000 per annum, should be paid monthly to the city.

(3) That the annual statement of the Company should be addited by the Ontario Railway and Municipal Board.

(4) That the full service of thirty-nine cars should be maintained but that the routing may be changed to the advantage of the service on the recommendation of the Ontario Railway and Municipal Board.

It is pointed out by the Railway Board that the Council could not increase fares above five cents.

President Colbert states that the men's minimum was an increase of eleven cents.

President Colbert states that the Committee unanimously refused to consider basis of fares No. (f) as printed on page 14.

The members of the Council then retired and the men considered the matter.

Subsequently, the members of the Council Committee resumed session.

President Colbert states that the Committee had unanimously decided that as the amount necessary to increase wages had to come out of the citizens and that there was no other way of providing funds, for the benefit of the people they would accept basis of fares (g) and felt that it was their duty to sacrifice for the benefit of the whole and they would, therefore, recommend the acceptance of that basis of fare.

The Council members agreed to submit this recommendation to the Council on Tuesday night.

Upon motion the Committee adjourned.